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RE: Arizona Eastern Railway - Construction and Operation, in Graham County, Arizona (STB Finance Docket No. 3836)

SHPO-2006-1264 (33820)

Dear Dr. Ravesloot:

The Surface Transportation Board recently requested SHPO review and comments on a survey report titled A Class III Cultural Resources Inventory of the Arizona Eastern Railroad Extension of Service Right-of-Way Near Solomonville, Graham County, Arizona (February 2, 2007). William Collins, Historian, and I reviewed the report and found that the document meets Secretary of the Interior Standards.

We note that WestLand located two types of water control features (Isolated Features 1-4, pg. 26) and suggested that the Civilian Conservation Corps might have built the features. There are two references that should be helpful with regard to erosion and water control features. Archaeological Research Services' 1993 report (Enclosure No. 1) provides historic context and research issues for CCC erosion control features as well as a typology of features. William S. Collins 1999 The New Deal in Arizona (Enclosure No. 2) provides a discussion of the CCC within the larger context of New Deal programs and provides guidance on evaluating research potential of CCC sites.

We look forward to reviewing a plan to test for eligibility for sites with the area of potential effects where eligibility could not be determined from surface evidence alone.

We concur that the undertaking warrants a finding of Adverse Effect.

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Enclosures (2)

cc: Victoria Rutson, Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis (with enclosures)

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